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U.S. Serial No.: 09/460,216 Examiner: J. Parkin
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For : METHODS FOR PREVENTING HIV-1 INFECTION OF
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 27, 2003 FINAL OFFICE
ACTION AND PETITION FOR A THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Amendment is filed in response to a February 27, 2003 Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the February 27, 2003 Final Office Action was originally due May 27, 2003. Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (a)(3) for a three-month extension of time. The required fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is Four Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars (\$465.00) and a check for that amount is enclosed herewith. As a result, the deadline for responding to the Final Office Action is August 27, 2003. A Notice of Appeal from the final rejection of claim 61 is being filed concurrently herewith

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with the appropriate fee. The Response and the Notice of Appeal are therefore being timely filed. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the pending rejections in view of the following remarks.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.